

THE EPISCOPAL CHURCH OF THE REDEEMER
Pendleton, Oregon

7:00PM Evening Prayer Rite II

WEDNESDAY LENTEN PROGRAM

March 18, 2020

PEACEMAKERS OF GOD PERSECUTED KINGDOM
WILL BE CALLED CHILDREN OF GOD FOR RIGHTEOUSNESS OF HEAVEN
IN SPIRIT THEIRS IS THE KINGDOM OF HEAVEN MEEK THE EARTH HUNGER
BLESSED ARE...
OF MOURN COMFORTED OF RIGHTEOUSNESS
FOR THEY WILL BE & THIRST ALL WILL BE
MERCIFUL WILL BE SHOWN PURE HEART THE GOD FILLED
MERCY

*We extend a warm welcome to our visitors and guests today.
Please sign our guest book or fill out one of the pew cards so that we
might have a record of your visit.*

*If you are looking for a church home—we invite you to enter into the
life and ministry of this historic parish.*

An Order for Evening Prayer, Rite II

The Invitatory and Psalter

Leader O God, make speed to save us.
People O Lord, make haste to help us.

Leader and People **Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.**

Invitatory (*unison*)

**Light of the world, in grace and beauty,
Mirror of God's eternal face,
Transparent flame of love's free duty,
You bring salvation to our race.
Now, as we see the lights of evening,
We raise our voice in hymns of praise;
Worthy are you of endless blessing,
Sun of our night, lamp of our days.**

Psalm 78:1–6

¹Give ear, O my people, to my teaching;*
incline your ears to the words of my mouth.

²I will open my mouth in a parable;*
I will utter dark sayings from of old,

³things that we have heard and known,*
that our ancestors have told us.

⁴We will not hide them from their children;
we will tell to the coming generation*
the glorious deeds of the LORD, and his might,
and the wonders that he has done.

⁵He established a decree in Jacob,
and appointed a law in Israel,*
which he commanded our ancestors
to teach to their children;

⁶that the next generation might know them,
the children yet unborn,*
and rise up and tell them to their children,

***Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: *
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever.
Amen.***

The Readings

First Reading

Ezekiel 36:33–38

A Reading from the book of Ezekiel.

³³Thus says the Lord GOD: On the day that I cleanse you from all your iniquities, I will cause the towns to be inhabited, and the waste places shall be rebuilt. ³⁴The land that was desolate shall be tilled, instead of being the desolation that it was in the sight of all who passed by. ³⁵And they will say, "This land that was desolate has become like the garden of Eden; and the waste and desolate and ruined towns are now inhabited and fortified." ³⁶Then the nations that are left all around you shall know that I, the LORD, have rebuilt the ruined places, and replanted that which was desolate; I, the LORD, have spoken, and I will do it.

³⁷Thus says the Lord GOD: I will also let the house of Israel ask me to do this for them: to increase their population like a flock. ³⁸Like the flock for sacrifices, like the flock at Jerusalem during her appointed festivals, so shall the ruined towns be filled with flocks of people. Then they shall know that I am the LORD.

The Word of the Lord.

People: *Thanks be to God*

Canticle 15

The Song of Mary

(Magnificat)

An angel went from God to a town called Nazareth to a woman whose name was Mary. The angel said to her, "Rejoice, O highly favored, for God is with you. You shall bear a child, and his name shall be Jesus, the Chosen One of God Most High." And Mary said, "I am the servant of my God; I live to do your will."

All stand to sing:

a tempo B \flat F B \flat B \flat

1.3 My soul pro - claims your great - ness O God, and my
 2. You have cast the might - y down from their thrones, and up -

a tempo

(G \flat /B \flat) (C) (Am7) (D \flat) (G) (G7)
 B \flat /D E \flat Cm7 F B \flat B \flat 7

spir - it re - joic - es in you, You have looked with love on your
 Ed - ed the hum - ble of heart, You have filled the hun - gry with

ser - vant here, and blessed me all my life through
 won - drous things, and left the wealth - y so part.

See also To Code

(C) (Am7) (G \flat /D \flat) (D7) (C \flat /G) (G) (D \flat /F \sharp)
 E \flat Cm7 B \flat /F F7 E \flat /B \flat B \flat F/A

(Em) Gm (Bm) Dm (C) Eb (G) Bb (Am) Cm (D7) F7

Great and might-y are you, O Ho - ly One, strong is your kind - ness
Great and might-y are you, O Faith - ful One, strong is your jus - tice,

(G) Bb (D/F#) (Em) Cm (Bm) Dm (C) Eb (G) Bb

ev - er - more, How you fa - vor the weak and low - ly one,
strong your love, As you prom - ised to Sar - ah and A - bra - ham,

(Am7) Cm7 (D7) rit. F7 Coda (C) Eb (G) Bb (D7) F7 (C) Eb (G) Bb

hum - bling the proud of heart. through...
kind - ness for - ev - er - more. *segue*

Second Reading

The people sit.

1 Thessalonians 2:3–12

A Reading from Paul's First letter to the Church in Thessalonika.

³For our appeal does not spring from deceit or impure motives or trickery, ⁴but just as we have been approved by God to be entrusted with the message of the gospel, even so we speak, not to please mortals, but to please God who tests our hearts. ⁵As you know and

as God is our witness, we never came with words of flattery or with a pretext for greed; ⁶nor did we seek praise from mortals, whether from you or from others, ⁷though we might have made demands as apostles of Christ. But we were gentle among you, like a nurse tenderly caring for her own children. ⁸So deeply do we care for you that we are determined to share with you not only the gospel of God but also our own selves, because you have become very dear to us.

⁹You remember our labor and toil, brothers and sisters we worked night and day, so that we might not burden any of you while we proclaimed to you the gospel of God. ¹⁰You are witnesses, and God also, how pure, upright, and blameless our conduct was toward you believers. ¹¹As you know, we dealt with each one of you like a father with his children, ¹²urging and encouraging you and pleading that you lead a life worthy of God, who calls you into his own kingdom and glory.

The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God**

Canticle 17

The Song of Simeon

Nunc dimittis

Lord, you now have set your servant free *

to go in peace as you have promised;

For these eyes of mine have seen the Savior, *

whom you have prepared for all the world to see:

A Light to enlighten the nations, *

and the glory of your people Israel.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: *

as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever.

Amen.

THIRD READING

Matthew 5:1-12, 17-20

The people sit.

A Reading from Matthew.

¹When Jesus saw the crowds, he went up the mountain; and after he sat down, his disciples came to him. ²Then he began to speak, and taught them, saying:

³"Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

⁴"Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted.

⁵"Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth.

⁶"Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled.

⁷"Blessed are the merciful, for they will receive mercy.

⁸"Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God.

⁹"Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God.

¹⁰"Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

¹¹"Blessed are you when people revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account ¹²Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you.

¹⁷"Do not think that I have come to abolish the law or the prophets; I have come not to abolish but to fulfill. ¹⁸For truly I tell you, until heaven and earth pass away, not one letter, not one stroke of a letter will pass from the law until all is accomplished. ¹⁹Therefore, whoever breaks one of the least of these commandments, and teaches others to do the same, will be called least in the kingdom of heaven; but whoever does them and teaches them will be called great in the kingdom of heaven. ²⁰For I tell you, unless your righteousness exceeds that of the scribes and Pharisees, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven.

The Word of the Lord.

People

Thanks be to God.

The Sermon

Pastor Patty Nance

The Sermon Hymn *It Came Upon A Midnight Clear Hymnal 89*

The Apostles' Creed

Leader and People together, all standing.

***I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.***

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.

***He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit
and born of the Virgin Mary.***

He suffered under Pontius Pilate,

**was crucified, died, and was buried.
He descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again.
He ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again to judge the living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

The Confession Of Sin

The Leader says to the people

Let us confess our sins to God.

Leader and People together,

**Most merciful God,
we confess that we have sinned against you
in thought, word, and deed,
by what we have done,
and by what we have left undone.
We have not loved you with our whole heart;
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,
have mercy on us and forgive us;
that we may delight in your will,
and walk in your ways,
to the glory of your Name. Amen.**

The Priest alone says

**Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins
through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness,
and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life.
Amen.**

The Prayers

Salutation

The people stand or kneel

Leader Hear our cry, O God.

People **And listen to our prayer.**

Leader Let us pray.

The Lord's Prayer

Leader and People

***Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy Name,
thy kingdom come,
thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom,
and the power, and the glory,
forever and ever. Amen.***

LITANY AMID AN EPIDEMIC *(By Kerry Weber)*

Jesus Christ, you traveled through towns and villages "curing every disease and illness."
At your command, the sick were made well.
Come to our aid now, in the midst of the global spread of the coronavirus, that we may experience your healing love.

Jesus Christ, healer of all, stay by our side in this time of uncertainty and sorrow.

Heal those who are sick with the virus. May they regain their strength and health through quality medical care. Heal us from our fear, which prevents nations from working together and neighbors from helping one another. Heal us from our pride,

which can make us claim invulnerability to a disease that knows no borders.

Jesus Christ, healer of all, stay by our side in this time of uncertainty and sorrow.

Be with those who have died from the virus. May they be at rest with you in your eternal peace. Be with the families of those who are sick or have died. As they worry and grieve, defend them from illness and despair. May they know your peace.

Jesus Christ, healer of all, stay by our side in this time of uncertainty and sorrow.

Be with the doctors, nurses, researchers and all medical professionals who seek to heal and help those affected and who put themselves at risk in the process. May they know your protection and peace.

Jesus Christ, healer of all, stay by our side in this time of uncertainty and sorrow.

Be with the leaders of all nations. Give them the foresight to act with charity and true concern for the well-being of the people they are meant to serve. Give them the wisdom to invest in long-term solutions that will help prepare for or prevent future outbreaks. May they know your peace, as they work together to achieve it on earth.

Jesus Christ, healer of all, stay by our side in this time of uncertainty and sorrow.

Whether we are home or abroad, surrounded by many people suffering from this illness or only a few, Jesus Christ, stay with us as we

endure and mourn, persist and prepare. In place of our anxiety, give us your peace.

Jesus Christ, heal us. Amen.

Suffrages

Versicle Show us your mercy, O Lord;
Response ***And grant us your salvation.***
V. Clothe your ministers with righteousness;
R. ***Let your people sing with joy.***
V. Give peace, O Lord, in all the world;
R. ***For only in you can we live in safety.***
V. Lord, keep this nation under your care;
R. ***And guide us in the way of justice and truth.***
V. Let your way be known upon earth;
R. ***Your saving health among all nations.***
V. Let not the needy, O Lord, be forgotten;
R. ***Nor the hope of the poor be taken away.***
V. Create in us clean hearts, O God;
R. ***And sustain us with your Holy Spirit.***

The General Thanksgiving

Leader and People

***Almighty God, Father of all mercies,
we your unworthy servants give you humble thanks
for all your goodness and loving-kindness
to us and to all whom you have made.
We bless you for our creation, preservation,
and all the blessings of this life;
but above all for your immeasurable love
in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ;
for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory.
And, we pray, give us such an awareness of your mercies,
that with truly thankful hearts we may show forth your praise,
not only with our lips, but in our lives,
by giving up our selves to your service,
and by walking before you
in holiness and righteousness all our days;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit,***

be honor and glory throughout all ages. Amen.

Almighty God, you know that we have no power in ourselves to help ourselves: Keep us both outwardly in our bodies and inwardly in our souls, that we may be defended from all adversities which may happen to the body, and from all evil thoughts which may assault and hurt the soul; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

Amen.

Be our light in the darkness, O Lord, and in your great mercy defend us from all perils and dangers of this night; for the love of your only Son, our Savior Jesus Christ. ***Amen.***

Lord Jesus, stay with us, for evening is at hand and the day is past; be our companion in the way, kindle our hearts, and awaken hope, that we may know you as you are revealed in Scripture and the breaking of bread. Grant this for the sake of your love. ***Amen.***

Keep watch, dear Lord, with those who work, or watch, or weep this night, and give your angels charge over those who sleep. Tend the sick, Lord Christ; give rest to the weary, bless the dying, soothe the suffering, pity the afflicted, shield the joyous; and all for your love's sake. ***Amen.***

Leader and People in unison

Almighty God, you have given us grace at this time with one accord to make our common supplication to you; and you have promised through your well-beloved Son that when two or three are gathered together in his Name you will be in the midst of them: Fulfill now, O Lord, our desires and petitions as may be best for us; granting us in this world knowledge of your truth, and in the age to come life everlasting. Amen.

Final Blessing

Capo 3: (G) B \flat (C) E \flat (Am7) Cm7 (D) F

Leader:

Let us bless our God: praise and thanks to you.

Prose:

(G) B \flat (C) E \flat (G/B) B \flat /D

May God, Cre - a - tor bless us and keep us, may

(Am7) Cm7 (D) F

Christ be ev - er light for our lives, may the

(Em) (Bm) (C) (G) (Am7) (D)
 Gm Dm Eb Eb Cm7 F

Spir - it of Love be our guide and path, for all of our days.

(Am7) (D) (Am7) (D7) (C)
 Cm7 F Ab F7 Bb

A - - - men.



BLESSED ARE THE PEACE-
MAKERS, FOR THEY WILL BE
CALLED CHILDREN OF GOD.

Participating in the Service

Pastor Charlotte Wells, Episcopal Church of the Redeemer

Pastor Travis Larsen, Peace Lutheran Church

Pastor Jonathan Mitchel, First Presbyterian Church

Pastor Patty Nance, United Methodist Church

Soloist..... Kat Bernhardt

Musician..... Mary Finney

Welcome to the Church of the Redeemer

Head of the ChurchJESUS CHRIST
Presiding Bishop, the Episcopal Church
.....the Most Rev Michael Curry
Bishop of the Diocese of Eastern Oregon...the Rt Rev. Pat Bell
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